

War Between Great Britain and U. S. A. Means.

We are in the habit of saying that war between Great Britain and the United States of America is unthinkable.

It is not. Anything is thinkable. Suppose we think of it. For there is a very considerable element in this country that is doing its level best to bring on such a calamity.

In the first place, there is an "anti-entente grudge," as Owen Wister has so vividly described for us, born in the war of the Revolution and carefully nursed in school histories ever since.

Then there is the fact that, for the mob, patriotism is always hate of some other country rather than love of one's own, and Great Britain was our earliest foe.

Besides these, the natural friction and envy between kin and of late years the Irish question have added to the noisest.

It is also quite the style for politicians and newspapers of the baser sort, to indulge in the popular pastime of twisting the Lion's tail.

It is from such small sparks that great conflagration grow.

Nobody expected the last great war. It "just grew." And nobody expects a war between the two great English speaking powers.

But wars are not planned; they are tremendous explosions caused by the growing pile of (1) long taught hates, (2) carefully nurtured jealousies, and (3) the possession of great battlefleets or armies.

The pile is growing. All that is needed is for some fool to drop a match in it and it will blow up.

Some reckless American or some chuckle-headed Englishman given just the right occasion, can bring on the horror.

And what will it mean? It will mean to begin closest home, the arming of the Canadian border, and they are good fighters.

For many a year we have lived beside this, our neighbor, in the peaceful rivalry of trade. Whose imagination is equal to the unspeakable results of a war upon so widely stretched a border?

It will mean the bombardment of New York or London.

It will mean, of course, a clash between the two most powerful navies in the world, with all the loss of life and prosperity that war involves.

It will mean a war infinitely more frightful than the last, since the Germans raged over only Belgium and parts of France, while this ruin will affect the richest and most populous centers of civilization.

There is little doubt that today what civilization we have depends upon Great Britain and the United States. If they fight, both will be destroyed, whichever conquers.

That will be the end of the white man and his ideals. By his own incredible folly he will have cut his throat, and the scepter will pass to the Oriental.

In other words, it will be the Day of Judgment and the wiping out of European culture and states, just as Greece perished and Rome was destroyed by the barbarian.

Another Dark Ages will ensue, ravaged by the unbridled fanatics of Russia and the imperial plotters of Japan.—Frank Crane in The State.

TAX PAYMENTS POSTPONED

Senator Wells' bill to postpone the time of paying taxes, without penalties until after April 1, with 7 per cent. penalty after that date has passed the South Carolina senate.

The senate debated the measure at length. The other branch of the general assembly has passed a bill fixing the penalty at 1 per cent. for taxes paid in January 2 per cent. for February, 3 per cent. for March and 4 per cent. for April, with 7 per cent. penalty for the first part of May. If the two houses are unable to agree on the measure the bill will go free to conference committee.

Fee Dee Advocate.

Old fashioned people become deceased by blowing out the gas, and the new by stepping on it.

Witnessed Armenian Horrors.

Columbia, Jan. 31.—Rev. Isaac Yonan, of Armenia, who was educated in America and in turn was a teacher in the only American college in Syria, says in a message to the Near East Relief:

"I have fought in this war. I have seen these horrors, seen the starvation, seen men torn asunder, seen women carried away captive, seen husbands killing their wives when the Turks came to snatch them away. I have been in these fights when mothers took their children in bags and fled to save them. I have been one of them myself."

And as an Armenian he says: "We are killed; we are starving, first of all because we are Christians. We are Christians of ages; we are the original Christians; we have been fighting Islam alone for 1300 years.

Why should we save Armenia? We must save Armenia to save Christianity and when we do that we save America, for without Christianity there would be no America.

WHAT DEFLATION COST.

Our Greatest Crop Year, Measured in Quantity, Shows a Decrease of \$9,000,000,000 in Farm Products of 1920.

The aggregate farm value of all crops for the United States for 1920 as compiled by the Manufacturers Export from the latest reports of the United States department of agriculture, is \$10,495,115,000, com-

pared with \$16,025,111,000, the value of all crops raised in the United States in 1919. This is a decrease in value since last year of over \$5,570,000,000, or about 35 per cent, an almost inconceivable, which represents nearly the total value of all crops produced as late as 1912. If, however, to this decline in crop values is added the decrease in the livestock products this year, compared with the 1919 value, it is estimated that the drastic deflation campaign of the government has cost the agricultural interests of the country probably over \$8,000,000,000, an amount nearly equal to the total value of all crops produced as late as 1916.

Through this almost criminally produced reduction in the country's agricultural wealth, the farm interests have suffered because their crops were the most costly to produce in our history. They were forced to pay the top prices for wages and materials and now are receiving the lowest price for their finished product, not because of purely economic reasons, but by downward manipulation of the market brought about through the direct influence of the federal reserve board's action in forcing restriction of credit.

Not only the farming interests have been the loser under this wholly erroneous policy, but everyone, capitalist and laborer alike, are suffering. It hits the farmer the hardest, however, because most of his work is done on borrowed capital and it struck at a time when he had all at stake. If to the 1920 crop values be added the values of the livestock products the total wealth production on the farms of the country this year will be about \$16,500,000,000, compared with \$24,982,000,000, the value of all agricultural products in 1919 and \$22,479,000,000 in 1918.

INCOME TAX EXEMPTIONS

Heads of Families, \$2,000; Single Persons, \$1,000.

Single persons though required to file a return if their net income for 1920 was \$1,000 or more, are, if they are the heads of families, granted a special exemption under the revenue laws. Such a person is defined by treasury regulations as "a person who actually supports and maintains in one household one or more individuals who are closely connected with him by blood relationship, relationship by marriage, or by adoption, and whose right to exercise family control and provide for these dependent individuals is based upon some moral or legal obligation." Such persons are allowed the exemption of \$2,000 granted a married person. In addition they are allowed a credit of \$200 for each dependant under 18 years of age or incapable of self support because mentally or physically defective.

Husband and Wife.

A married person living with husband and wife cannot claim an additional \$2,000 exemption as the head of a family. His or her exemption is based upon the marital status, irrespective of the support of others living in the same household. The additional \$200 for dependants does not apply to the husband or wife of a taxpayer. For example, if a married man supports a father who is incapable of self-support he is entitled to the \$200 credit for such person. If through force of circumstances he supports his wife away from home he is entitled to the \$2,000 exemption allowed a married person, but not to a \$200 credit for a dependent.

"A son who has left home, but who sends his mother more than one-half the sum required for her support is entitled to the \$200 credit, provided the mother can not support herself. Otherwise, the amount must be considered as a gift, and, therefore, the credit is not allowed. A son living at home and supporting his father, mother, or other relative may claim the \$2,000 allowed the head of a family, but not the \$200 credit unless such relative is under 18 years of age or incapable of self-support.

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Winter Brings Many Ills to Pale, Overworked People.

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Fortify Your System — Good Blood Will Give You New Strength to Keep Well

If you feel the least bit run down, not necessarily sick, but tired and blue and out of down and out, it shows plainly that your power of resistance is low.

It is dangerous to go around that way. You don't want to do it. Make no mistake about it, when you feel yourself slipping into lazy habits, getting indifferent to the things you naturally like—no energy, no vigor, always tired—it is time to look out. It may not mean that you are sick or that you will be. But there are diseases that would have an easy time of it with your system when your blood has no fighting qualities.

You want to be well and keep well and feel strong. If you build up the quality of your blood by taking Pepto-Mangan you will be in trim to fight off winter ill. It has just the right ingredients to build your blood up with rich, red corpuscles.

Pepto-Mangan gives your blood the qualities it needs to pick you up and start you off on a healthy basis. You will notice the difference soon after you start taking it. You will have better color, better feeling, and more energy.

You can take it in liquid or tablet form as you prefer. Both have the same ingredients. But be sure you get the genuine Gude's Pepto-Mangan. Ask for it by that name—"Gude's Pepto-Mangan," and be sure the full name is on the package.—advertisement. 2 2 t.

The tree on which Daniel Webster hung his scythe after deciding to go to Dartmouth College has been given a place in the Hall of Fame for trees with a history.

More children are born in Georgia to mothers in their 23rd year than at any other time, the percentage being 6.12, according to certain relative statistics compiled by the state board of health. It is shown by these figures that 23.54 per cent of births are by mothers between 20 and 23 years old. The figures were compiled among 10,418 white families in which births occurred in the months of June, July and August, 1920. These families averaged 3.5 children each, including all births during and prior to the months named. The youngest mother on record was 12 years old.

Special "MALE AND FEMALE" Everybody's Monday, February 7th. Admission - 25 and 50c.

MASTER'S SALE.

State of South Carolina, County of Dillon. In the Court of Common Pleas. J. R. McLaurin, Plaintiff, against

W. H. L. McLaurin, Kittle J. Sutherland, Maybelle McLaurin, Mary McLaurin, Hallie McLaurin, Imogene McLaurin and Farmers & Merchants Bank, Defendants

Pursuant to an order of his Honor, Edward McIver, Judge of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, the undersigned, as Master for Dillon county, will sell during the legal hours of sale on the first Monday in February, 1921, same being the 7th before the court house door in the town of Dillon, in the County of Dillon, in the State aforesaid, at public auction to the highest bidder the following described property.

Description: — "All that certain tract of land in the county and state aforesaid, containing one hundred acres, more or less, bounded North by lands of D. F. Taylor; east by estate lands of W. B. D. Hayes; south by Buck Swamp Public road, and west by lands of P. C. Henry and McDonald, same being commonly known as the estate lands of Mrs. Hettie May Bethea."

Terms of sale CASH. Purchaser to pay for all papers and revenue stamps. Any person bidding off the said property and refusing to comply with his bid therefor, said property will be resold upon the same or some subsequent salesday at the risk of the former purchaser.

A. B. JORDAN, 1 20 St. Master for Dillon County.

DUMB MAN TALKS

Speech Cost Him Thirty Days on the Chocomaug.

Fred Miller, address unknown, Wednesday morning, proved that words are not only frequently useless but that they oft times produce dire trouble, says the Atlanta Journal.

Miller was arrested Tuesday afternoon on Currier street, for soliciting aims without a license. He made signs to the arresting officer that he was deaf and dumb, and was unable to secure work.

In the police court, Recorder Johnson addressing the prisoner and the surrounding officers, declared that he did not like to fine a deaf and dumb man. It's a sad case," said the judge. "I don't want to fine him." Miller's tongue slipped: Have mercy judge," he murmured.

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NOTICE

Take notice that the Spring Term Court of General Sessions will convene at Dillon, S. C., on Monday the 21st day of February, 1921, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Sam McLaurin, C. C. P. & G. S.

COTTON GINNED.

According to Special Agent S. W. Jackson there were 40,163 bales of cotton ginned in Dillon county up to January 16 as compared with 41,491 up to the same period last year. These figures indicate a yield of 43,000 bales for the county from the crop of 1920.

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EVER BILIOUS? Charleston, Miss.—Mrs. R. V. Heins, of this place, says: "I have never had to use very much medicine, because if I felt headache, dizziness, or colds, bad taste in the mouth, which comes from torpid liver, I would take a dose or more of Black-Draught, and it would straighten me out and make me feel as good as new. We have used in our family for years THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT and it certainly is the best liver medicine I ever saw. It has not only saved me money, it has helped keep my system in shape, and has never weakened me as so many physics do. I recommend it to my friends and am glad to do so." Black-Draught is the old, reliable liver medicine which you have doubtless heard much about. When you feel badly all over, stomach not right, bad taste in your mouth, bilious, or have a headache, try Thedford's Black-Draught. At all Druggists. Always Insist on the Genuine!

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